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**MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING NO. 10-2012
Wednesday, April 25, 2012**

The City of Rockville Planning Commission convened in regular session in the Mayor and Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 25, 2012.

PRESENT

David Hill, Chair
John Tyner
Jerry Callistein
Don Hadley
Kate Ostell
Kathleen Cook

Absent: Dion Trahan

Present: Andrew Gunning, Assistant Director, CPDS
Marcy Waxman, Assistant City Attorney
Jim Wasilak, Chief of Planning
Margaret Hall, Planner II
Deane Mellander, Permit Administrator
David Levy, Chief of Long Range Planning
Cindy Kebba, Planner III

I. COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

- 1. PLT2012-00516**, for the recordation of an existing single unit detached dwelling, residential property at 201 Upton Street. Margaret Hall presented her staff report and answered questions from the Commission.

The applicant testified that the property straddles the property line and the deed has been noted that way since before 1957.

Commissioner Ostell moved, seconded by Commissioner Tyner to approve PLT2012-00516, subject to conditions noted on page five of the staff report. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0, (Commissioner Trahan was absent and Commissioner Hadley recused himself).

2. **Zoning Text Amendment TXT2012-00234**, to revise the sign regulations (Article 18 of the Zoning Ordinance) to allow additional flexibility in the design and location of signs. Deane Mellander and Tami Dietrich presented the proposed changes to the text amendment, submitted by the Rockville Chamber of Commerce and answered questions from the Commission.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Kathy Reitz, Property Manager/Leasing Agent for the Talbott Center, commented on the benefits of having unique signage/logos as a “wayfinder.” She is not in favor of eliminating the “Lease” signs. She answered questions from the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Hadley moved, seconded by Commissioner Callistein, to endorse Staff’s recommendations to move forward with text amendment TXT2012-00234, subject to the corrections and notations previously reviewed by Staff. The motion passed on a vote of 5-1 (Commissioner Cook abstained and Commissioner Trahan was absent).

II. WORK SESSION ITEMS

1. **Twenty-Second Work Session on the Draft Rockville Pike Plan.** Cindy Kebba presented her staff report on Jefferson & Fleet Street extensions and incentives for additional building height.
2. **Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance report.** The Commission discussed their recommendations to Mayor and Council, and confirmed their next steps to further evaluate the standards regarding school facilities.

III. COMMISSION ITEMS

- A. Staff Liaison Report
- B. Old Business
- C. New Business
- D. Minutes – There were no minutes.
- E. FYI Correspondence

IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business Commissioner Hadley moved, seconded by Commissioner Callistein, to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Y. Driver, Commission Secretary